

IMPORTANT CHILD CARE INFORMATION – 11/02

There have been changes in licensing rules, including WAC 388-150-090, 388-151-090 and 388-155-090, to reflect the new criminal history background check process in Chapter 388-06 WAC. These WACs are used to disqualify a person from caring for children due to having certain convictions of crimes against persons. These WACs can be accessed at: http://www.dshs.wa.gov/dockets/wacidx.html

Many forms are now available online at: http://www.dshs.wa.gov/dshsforms/index.html You can search for forms by using the form number located at the bottom of the form, or by name of the form. An error was made in the letter sent to Centers in August. The correct form number for the background authorization form is 09-946.

Due to budget constraints, we will now be communicating with providers by email whenever possible. You can be notified of policy changes by joining DCCEL Listserv, which is a way we contact many people at one time. There is no charge to join: Go to the DCCEL Internet main page at http://www.dshs.wa.gov/esa/dccel/. Scroll down and click 'DSHS Child Care News' on the left side of the page. This will bring you to the DCCEL Listserv signup page. Follow directions to join.

If you do not join the Listserv, we will notify you by postcard when new information is available. Your local licensing office or Resource and Referral Agency can also provide you with this information.

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